The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listing of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1.(currently amended) A <u>composition</u> symbiotic fungus comprising a filamentous—of a biologically pure culture 7—said of a <u>symbiotic</u> filamentous fungus belonging—to of the genus <u>Neotyphodium</u> Neotyphodium—and—a-final—metabolic—product thereof being a producing one chanoclavine as one final metabolic product.

Claim 2 (cancelled)

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- 3.(currently amended) A symbiotic fungus composition as defined in Claim 1, wherein the symbiotic fungus is at-least one fungus selected from the group consisting of FERMP FERM P-17672, FERMP FERM P-17673 and FERMP FERM P-17674 deposited at the Japanese National Institute of Bioscience and Human Technology.
- 4.(currently amended) A symbiotic fungus composition as defined in Claim 1, wherein a the symbiotic fungus whose final metabolic product is chanoclavine is selected by screening for using chanoclavine as a marker.

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- 5.(currently amended) A symbiotic-fungus composition as defined in Claim 4, wherein the screening is performed by thin layer chromatography using chanoclavine as a marker.
- 6.(currently amended) A symbiotic-fungus composition as defined in Claim 4, wherein the screening is performed by liquid chromatography using chanoclavine as a marker.

Claims 7-15 (cancelled)